

leadership of the Irish party, and Mr. Parnell refused the terms.

The Premier of Cape Colony, the wealthy and influential Mr. Cecil Rhodes, and who some time ago donated £10,000 to the Home Rule cause, has declared his adhesion to Mr. Parnell to be a shakken, and promises to further subsidize the party led by him.

Mr. A. J. Balfour visited the Dublin University yesterday, when the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred upon him. The Chief Secretary for Ireland was received with remarkable enthusiasm.

The difficulty between the United States of America and Newfoundland, over the fisheries question, has been settled satisfactorily on reciprocal terms, by which mutual concessions have been made.

A plot has been discovered in Sofia for the overthrow of Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria. The scheme has, however, been frustrated.

February 16th.

Dillon and O'Brien have issued a manifesto declaring that the irreconcilables on each side have prevented a satisfactory settlement in the dispute of the Irish party, and condemning the unyielding temper displayed on points of form.

Parnell, in a letter to O'Brien, expresses his regret that the assurances he has received are insufficient safeguards to the National interests to justify his retirement.

Dillon and O'Brien have been sent to Clonmel Gaol. They had a poor reception on their arrival at Dublin.

The Irish Home Rule Party have acquitted McCarthy of all blame for the recent rupture, and have resolved to continue to support him.

Thirty persons were killed by a boiler explosion in a worsted factory at Quebec.

The British Chancellor of the Exchequer hopes to persuade the joint stock banks to agree to the currency question without the action of Parliament.

The World says that the recent irritability of the Emperor of Germany is attributed to a cancerous growth in the ear and throat.

The Queen of Hawaii is reported to be in a dangerous state of health.

The British Admiralty have directed that all obsolete gunpowder stores be sold.

Adelaide, February 16th.

The Intercolonial Labor Federation Conference closed yesterday. A scheme of federation was adopted. It is to be forwarded for consideration to the unions throughout Australasia.

Professor Allen has returned from Berlin, but declines to express any opinion of Professor Koch's specific until he has sent his report to the Victorian Government.

Sydney, February 17th.

A man named Flannigan, who attempted to stick up an hotel near Willemia, was shot by the licensee, a woman named Bell.

Melbourne, February 19th.

At an ordinary meeting of the Victorian branch of the British Medical Association held last night, Dr. Koch's lymph formed the subject of discussion. It was suggested in order to prevent its use by others than duly qualified medical men the lymph should be declared under the Poisons Act. After a discussion this was unanimously agreed to.

Brisbane, February 19th.

The total yield of gold for the colony during the year 1890 has been shown by uncompleted official return to be £88,147, or a decrease of about 150,000 ozs. on the returns for the year 1889.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

The submarine telegrams are taken from our San Francisco exchanges, received by the Pacific Mail Co.'s steamship *City of Rio de Janeiro*, Captain Wm. Ward, which arrived in port this morning.

London, January 30th.

In St. James Hall to-night General Booth launched his scheme for the redemption of "Darkest England," and signed a trust deed dedicating to the uses of the work the money subscribed and bequeathed therefor. The first batch of officers to have charge of the work was appointed.

Booth retains large powers under the deed of trust. Either himself or his successor will be the supreme director of the scheme and of the money. Any change made must be assented to by two-thirds of the Consultative Committee.

Of this committee General Booth will nominate six members, and the Archbishop of Canterbury, the president of Wesleyan Society, the chairman of the Congregational Union, the chairman of the Baptist Union, the Attorney-General and the chairman of the County Council will each nominate two members.

Advices from Buenos Ayres state that 15,000 insurgents are massed at Quilmes, a province of Valparaiso, fifty miles from Santiago, and it is reported they are contemplating an advance on the capital.

The insurgents threaten to bombard every port on the coast unless their demands are granted by the Government.

President Balmaceda's forces have recaptured Iquique. The insurgents have been forced to withdraw from Llanes, where, after a desperate engagement, 7,000 Government troops compelled the insurgents to retreat to Llanes.

The plan, avowed of the Marquis of Londonderry that the men of Ulster will fight in the event of home rule being granted to Ireland, has aroused some sensation. All that Lord Londonderry asks is that England keep her hands off and allow the Ulster Protestants to fight it out with the home rulers, without the interference of Imperial troops.

The preparations for the reception of Parnell at Ennis on Sunday forebode a most enthusiastic demonstration.

Shaw-Lefevre (Liberal) moved in the Commons to-day that the Government use its influence in favor of settlement by arbitration of the disputes between tenants and landlords arising from the plan of the campaign. A protracted debate ensued, in the course of which Balfour spoke of the plan of the campaign. "Tenants," he said, "had a remedy in the Land Court for excessive rents, but had not availed themselves of it." The motion was finally rejected—203 to 159.

During Balfour's speech Dr. Tanner (Nationalist) created much confusion by calling Balfour "a canting snob." He withdrew the expression, however, after a warning from the Speaker.

There is much excitement among the Irish members to-night on rumors that the party discussion has reached an acute stage. Parnell left hurriedly for Ireland after a consultation with Morley and Sexton. One rumor said that the prospects of a settlement were ended; another was that Sexton intimated that the matter would be settled satisfactorily next week.

Government dispatches do not confirm the reports of the death of the Amer of Afghanistan. Professor John Tyndall is seriously ill.

Paris, January 30th.

Charles Chapin, the French painter, is dead. The *Standard* says it is a case of cancer.

troops, dispatched from Valparaiso against the insurgents, have revolted and joined the rebels.

The police to-day seized an issue of the incendiary paper *Egalla*. The office was guarded by twenty desperate would-be revolutionists armed with revolvers and cudgels, but these were easily dispersed.

A strong detachment of police prevented the approach of a mob of students from the Latin quarter. About 600 students gathered, but were not allowed to cross the bridge. Great excitement prevailed in the district until night. A number of students were arrested.

FLORENCE, January 30th.

The epidemic of typhus fever, which has been raging for several weeks is rapidly spreading throughout the city, which is in a condition bordering on a panic. All are leaving who can get away. The epidemic is supposed to be due to impure drinking water. Mrs. Ball, wife of Thomas Ball, the American sculptor, died here to-day.

Buenos Ayres, January 30th.

According to Chilean advices received here there have been desperate and sanguinary battles fought in the province of Chile between the rebel forces and the Government troops. Many were killed on both sides. The reports are conflicting as to which side was victorious. There is little action on either side at Santiago de Chile.

There is a panic feeling in Cedula and there is much anxiety expressed as to the position of the Provincial Mortgage Bank. The Government has notified the bank that it must depend upon its own resources to pay coupons so far as its receipts allow, and has ordered it to give bonds for the balance.

A meeting of the Cedula coupon holders prepared protests for presentation to the Government against the twenty per cent. tax.

KINOSTON (Ontario), January 30th.

Major Edwards of her Majesty's Imperial force and a professor at the Royal Military College, will, it is stated, oppose Sir John Macdonald at the coming elections. He is a free trader and a single-taxer, and a man of much wealth.

London, January 31st.

Carte's Royal English Opera-house was opened to-night in a manner long to be remembered. The magnificent structure was filled with a splendid audience, including the Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh and a long list of noble personages. Few people of note in London who could obtain seats were absent.

Sir Arthur Sullivan has reason to be proud of the reception given to his last work, "Ivanhoe," and the Julian Scurges must certainly feel gratified with his share in the night's triumph. The libretto follows Scott's historical romances so closely that none of the salient points of the story are missed.

Rome, January 31st.

In the debate in the Chamber to-day on the spirit taxes Prime Minister Crispien argued that the taxes proposed by the Government were imperative necessary to prevent Italy falling again to the servile condition she was in as regards the foreign powers in 1874. The Conservative members of the Chamber who were in office in 1876 protested in an uproarious manner, and the present Minister of Public Works left the Treasury bench. The bill was rejected by a large majority, and Crispien announced that he would resign. It is doubtful if he will be able to reconstruct his Cabinet.

Intense excitement prevails in political circles. Premier Crispien tonight went to the Quirinal to place his resignation in the hands of King Humbert. The King declined to accept it until he had further considered the matter.

OPORTO, January 31st.

Three regiments of infantry, comprising a portion of the garrison, openly revolted to-day. The remainder of the garrison, including the municipal guard, remain loyal. The alleged object of the mutineers is to establish a republic. Rebels and loyalists fought in the streets, and it is said many were killed on both sides. The citizens barricaded their houses and troops were sent from various points to this city.

The revolutionary uprising which began this morning is ended. Shortly after the beginning of the revolt the insurgent troops and a portion of the Fiscal Guards seized the City Hall and proposed there and then to declare a republic. A body of the loyal troops laid siege to the building, and after a bombardment a spile of bullets killed the insurgents. The loss on both sides, so far as known, was slight. The insurgents will be tried by court martial, and in all probability the ringleaders will be shot.

Oporto this evening is a city of rejoicing. The storekeepers have thrown down the barricades from the windows and doors, and everybody is congratulating everybody else that the insurgent outbreak was not so serious as was expected.

Insurgents to the number of 400 assembled at 4 o'clock this morning, and with much cheering paraded the principal streets. They made an attempt to seize the Prefecture of Police and the central telegraph office. Their plans, however, were frustrated by the municipal guard. The general command summoned the local troops, when the few civilians supporting the rebels dispersed.

The latter then proceeded to the Hotel del Ville, fortifying the structure to the best of their ability, but lacking ammunition, they speedily submitted in response to the artillery bombardment. Six or seven officers of inferior grade took part in the revolt, which was of a distinctly republican character.

The civilian leader in revolt was a lawyer named Alves Velga, who formed a Republican directorate consisting of Senator Freitas, judge of High Court Soares, a retired general officer, Professor Silva and the brothers Leite. None of these persons were present, however, when the Town Hall was captured. Three soldiers and four civilians, including a woman, were killed during the fighting, and thirty-six soldiers and ten civilians were wounded.

Under direction of the authorities the offices and printing rooms of all the Republican journals were raided, and all the documents found in the places were seized. Every person found on the premises was taken into custody, and the buildings placed in charge of the military. All the banks and commercial houses in the city closed their doors.

MR. BECHER'S LATEST PUNJON EXPLORATIONS.

That irrepressible character Mr. H. M. Becher, manager of the Punjun Mining Company of this colony, has recently returned to Singapore from what is described as "an extensive tour in Pahang where he visited the several mining concessions, in connection with which he is professionally engaged."

KETCHAU.

Speaking with regard to the Ketchau concession, Mr. Becher said to a reporter of the *Strait Times* that on his last trip down the *Pera* brought 70 ozs. of gold from Ketchau, which, with a previous shipment of 55 ozs., makes the total output up to the present 125 ozs. Mr. Becher thinks that is not bad for a company so recently at work, and he says that with this return the

mine is paying its own expenses. In the 70 ozs. there was a portion from specimens, but otherwise the gold was the result of a trial crushing of 12 tons of the average rock from the lode. The crushing was made at the Punjun battery. It may so happen that the find is only a pocket, but the probabilities, Mr. Becher thinks, are against this. There are two European miners and about twenty Chinese coolies working on the mine which at present consists of a single level. It is now proposed to extend these operations, with a view of following "Mount Siam" reef. The landing place is about two miles from Kuala Lipis on the Pahang River, and the mine is situated about two miles inland. Ketchau River, a fine running stream, flows about one mile and a half from the mine, so that at any time should it be considered necessary to get any extensive motive power in operation, it will easily be developed from this river.

PUNJON.

Those who have followed the Hongkong reports of the Punjun Company for the last three years, said Mr. Becher, will know that the mine in the company's concession is the chief scene of operations and expectations. Great difficulty has been experienced in getting down to any depth in this mine, and more or less disappointment has been caused at the small results obtained from the crushing made from the quartz obtained here. 30 tons of quartz extracted from the slopes which had been opened up, resulted in a yield of 18 ozs. of gold, equivalent to 12 ozs. to the ton. This is twice as much as was obtained from the average in shallow workings, and exceeds, Mr. Becher says, the estimate of 10 dwts. which he gave the shareholders as the probable average return of the lode stuff. The formation partly resembles that of the Raub mine, but the quartz is in huge masses intermingled with the auriferous black slate. If it were considered desirable to go on with the extension, it might be hoped that they would meanwhile get a sufficient yield to cover expenses. As Mr. Becher now expects to be kept in funds from London, steps will be taken to ensure the proper development of the mine.

Two Australian miners have recently augmented the staff at work, one of whom is engaged in prospecting the numerous lodes which have long since been located. Otherwise, all the labour is concentrated on this one mine. Stronger and heavier pumping and winding machinery is about to be erected. Had it not been for the difficulty experienced in keeping down the water the battery would have put through far more than 30 tons of stuff in the last month.

The launch only just managed to get away on a freshet a week or so ago. The expected rainy season, which is anxiously looked for, has not yet set in.

LIANG AND SIMPAN RIVERS.

Mr. Becher spoke in rather a derogatory strain of the manner in which some of the concessions situated between Punjun and Kuala Lipis are being left unworked. On his own responsibility Mr. Becher is endeavouring to develop the Simpan River for its tin. There are extensive concessions on the Liang River working for this mineral, and although nothing very rich has been done up to the present, there are, Mr. Becher says, undoubtedly prospects of some payable returns. There are evident traces of rich hill tin deposits of much the same quality as those on which Mr. L. J. Fraser is working at Tras. Mr. Becher is gradually working upward, and the place which was almost unknown to Europeans a few years back is now developing signs of activity. The Simpan River lies within a few miles of Raub and forms a convenient termination of the overland route.

BENTONG.

From Simpan to the Bentong district is becoming quite a well-made and defined track, but on this occasion Mr. Becher took the Bilir River with a view of judging its position for water communication. The people of the Sungai Dua property of the Company are still confined to prospecting. No large deposits of tin ore have yet been found of sufficient richness for it to be profitably worked, although it lies, Mr. Becher said, in the midst of a large field similar to the districts of the western Native States, which produce tin. The Bentong concession lies contiguous to Sungai Dua and is practically the only going concern in stream tin getting in the Pahang. The production of the Bentong mine is rather large, but still it remains at an unsatisfactory level, just short of making its expenses. This is partly due to the labour difficulties experienced over what is known as the Sink system. Mr. Becher is making an effort to recognize the labour question, and he is trying to get free labour only. The men will be paid according to each individual output, and it is hoped that in time the kongkee and towkay difficulty will disappear. Another cause of this failure to cover expenses, said Mr. Becher, is in a sense due to the limited scale upon which the mine has been carried out its operations, and one must not forget the heavy item of 8 per cent. royalty.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

Sandakan, February 1st, 1891.

Heavy rains have fallen in the Darvel Bay District. The Tabanas river was in flood for some days, but no damage has been done to the tobacco estates.

The bark *Tarapaga*, Captain H. Kennell, left Sandakan for Hongkong the 24th January. Thence she will probably take on board a cargo of coal for some of the ports. Should the bark return to Sandakan, Captain Kennell will probably bring down a full cargo of coal instead of granite ballast.

The heavy rains have, we hear, caused several landslides along the Boya Milanta road, in the neighbourhood of the British Borneo Trading and Planting Company's Saw Mills. The old Hospital is demolished and a coolie house has also given way; a great part of Mr. Leach's garden has also subsided. The Sandakan river was in high flood and its course could be traced far into the Bay by the clay-coloured track of its waters.

We notice that the *Sarawak Gazette* in speaking of our copper ore and R. B. Brooke's order prohibiting its introduction into Sarawak alludes to the coin as "Sabah" copper coin. The designation Sabah as applied to this territory has been abolished for the last six years, the proper name of the country being the "State of North Borneo." There is no such thing as "Sabah" coin in existence either in Sarawak or anywhere else. The nomenclature Sabah and its derivatives have since vanished, the latter at least a fanciful name never having had any hold here. Sandakan is the name of the town, as also of the Bay.

The activity displayed of late amongst our local mining men during early evenings has been

Intimations.

COLONIAL HOUSE.



4. QUEEN'S ROAD.

TAILORS, HOSIERS, AND GENERAL OUTFITTERS. NEW PREMISES. 4, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, (OPPOSITE CONNAUGHT HOUSE).

Hongkong, 6th March, 1891.

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been fine enough to admit of it, calls attention to the absence of anything in the shape of suitable sailing boats in the harbour. Surely the enterprising points to the fact that Sandakan can muster a sufficient number of men to start a Boating Club and, as a commencement, get two boats down from Hongkong which would be more adapted to racing than those now in use, and which, if the time and distance of some of the late boats in those tubs are correct—would enable North Borneo to establish a record for this quarter of the world.

On the evening of the 15th ult., a very beautiful meteor was observed from Sandakan. It fell a little Westward of South, slowly, and leaving a momentary track of fire in its wake. It was of a large size and splendid brightness, and when about to descend above the horizon it burst. How large an arc it really covered is not known as the fortunate observer was in a long chair and never saw it till it was clear of the roof of the verandah, and so could only watch its last 25 degrees or so.

From the 26th January last, all paid Government servants in British North Borneo have been prohibited from purchasing or otherwise acquiring any property in land for themselves or for members of their families, without the written permission of the Governor. As a rule this prohibition will be absolute, except in the case of land purchased by an officer for building purposes for his private use.—*Herald*.

TIENTSIN.

February 10th, 1891.

There is very little going on at this port worth communicating, but I am informed that the audience of the Foreign Ministers with the Emperor will come off after all.

I hear that Li Hung-chang will not go to Chefoo to meet the Czarowitch. I regret to inform you that Mr. Lelich, Agent for the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, has been ill for some time, and goes home invalided. Mr. A. W. Maitland comes here from Hongkong as agent.

The China new-year passed off quietly; all the officials went early to wish Li Hung-chang a happy new-year, and the Viceroy returned the compliment to-day. The foreign Consuls also paid Li and the Customs Tao-tai a visit. Both these gentlemen were in excellent health and spirits.

It is as good as fixed that another canal, half-way between here and Taku, on the west bank of the Pehlo river, is to be cut, in a south-westward direction, into the Gulf of Pechili, to the Yen-ho, which flows 40 miles south of Taku. This will make, on the west bank of the Pehlo, between here and Taku, five canals across the country, independent of those on the east side of the Pehlo. Mr. A. Lind, formerly of the Imperial Chinese Telegraph Administration, is to superintend the cutting.

February 23rd, 1891.

The Kaitung people are against the Chantung mines being worked on the foreign principle, and have strongly petitioned the Government to that effect.

China has taken a new departure at last in regard to mining in Manchuria and Shantung. Li Hung-chang is still opposed to the new departure and clings to "China for the Chinese only," but the Hai Chien yamen has, by latest advices from Peking, taken in hand the Jehol silver mines, and the Peking coal and iron mines. Before long you will hear more about these undertakings.—*Shanghai Mercury*.

February 21st, 1891.

There has disappeared from the mouth of the river, the reef being quite clear. The thickness of the ice in the river at Taku this morning was 5 in., and so rotten that *paludis* have ceased running. It is expected that the ice will break up, at any rate from Tongks to the forts, either to-morrow or next day.

The state of the river has been long a subject of serious consideration to the local government, as the sailing of the upper reaches which has rendered the port inaccessible for steamers for the greater part of several seasons has placed a heavy burden on trade, which has latterly been felt by natives as well as foreigners. The necessity for trying some means to ameliorate the situation has now been recognized in a practical manner, on Thursday a commission from the Viceroy consisting of the Tientsin Tao-tai, the Hai Kuan Tao-tai and the Commissioner of Customs, went down the river, by the Taku Road, for the purpose of examining the heads between Tientsin and the Nine Forts, which they did in a pretty thorough manner, crossing and recrossing the river at several places. A conference of the various officials concerned was held yesterday, but the result has not reached us.

A Commissioner or Agent from Korea has been in Tientsin all the winter trying to persuade Li Hung-chang to withdraw the orders requiring the Korean envoys abroad to be introduced to foreign courts by the Chinese Ministers. The arguments used by the Korean agent are precisely those which have been current among the foreign adventurers in Seoul, and seem to make very little impression on the Viceroy. The despatch of representatives abroad by the King of Korea was no doubt an unfortunate step, and was rendered much worse by the "disgraceful way" it was carried out. For the first error China is largely responsible; for the second, America; and it is not surprising if the White House should wish to purge itself of the scandal in which Washington is implicated by the introduction of camp-followers under the guidance of Americans who knew better. If the Korean gentleman now here speaks truly, dissatisfaction at Washington is the chief motive at present for the Korean government desiring to be established by China.—*Chinese Telegraph*.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL. CITY HALL, HONGKONG. THREE NIGHTS ONLY. THIS EVENING, TO-MORROW, AND WEDNESDAY, the 9th, 10th, and 11th March, 1891.

JENSEN'S CONGRESS OF CABALISTIC WONDERS.

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PRICES OF ADMISSION, Dress Circle and Stalls, £2.00. Back Seats, £1.00.

Box Plan at Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., Hongkong, 9th March, 1891.

FOR SHANGHAI, THE Steamship "NINGPO."

Captain R. Kohler, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 11th inst., at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Hongkong, 9th March, 1891.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW, THE Company's Steamship "NAMO."

Captain Reach, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 12th inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, 9th March, 1891.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship "CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO"

are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns at Wanchai, from whence delivery may be obtained on countersignature of Bills of Lading.

Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th instant, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance is effected.

CHAS. D. HARMAN, Agent, Hongkong, 9th March, 1891.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

A COMPETITION for the SUBSCRIPTION HANDICAP CHALLENGE CUP (Short Range) and RANGE SPOONS, will be held on SATURDAY next, the 14th inst., at 3.30 O'CLOCK P.M. Distances, 500 and 600 yards. Seven shots at each range. Position, any. Entrance fee, 30 cents.

A Launch will leave the P. & O. Pier at 3.30 O'CLOCK P.M. to convey competitors.

FRANK COLLINS, Hon. Secretary, Hongkong, 9th March, 1891.

THE HONGKONG AND CHINA BAKERY COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Nineteenth Ordinary General Meeting of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held on MONDAY, the 16th inst., at 3 o'clock p.m., at the Company's Office, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the General Managers, and a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1890.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, 9th March, 1891.

To-day's Advertisements.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED (In Liquidation).

REPORT For presentation to the Shareholders at a General Meeting, to be held at the HEAD OFFICES OF THE COMPANY, AT HONGKONG, on

THURSDAY, 12th March, 1891, at 4 p.m.

The Liquidators have now to submit to the shareholders a statement of Accounts, showing the result of the winding-up of the Company up to the 31st December, 1890, so far as ascertained, viz., a Balance at Debt of Working Account of \$250,732.36, being an Increase of \$13,227.07 for the year 1890.

The accounts clearly show how this amount has arisen, and it will be noticed that the expectation of the Liquidators, that no considerable addition to the Debt of Working Account would take place, has, so far as concerns Losses, been realized, and that the greater part is due to the cost of Liquidation, which remains unavoidably heavy, even after the carrying out of the economies effected by the Liquidators, of which the shareholders were fully made acquainted at the last meeting, as will be seen by a comparison of accounts. The details of these, so far as Head Office is concerned, were set forth in the Chairman's speech at the last General Meeting; so we need only add, that of the Committee at London, Mr. Von Andre and Mr. Kottgen resigned, leaving Mr. Cobb and Mr. Guttman as sole Liquidators there.

The Liquidation of the London Branch is still far from being completed, and it is almost impossible to foresee when such will be the case, owing to the continued cropping up of fresh claims, the difficulties connected with Re-insurance

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ST. JOHN LODGE.

OF HONGKONG.

No. 618, S.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above-named Lodge will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on THURSDAY NEXT, the 12th instant, at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. Hongkong, 5th March, 1891. [1386]

Insurances.

THREE IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT THE STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

- 1.—HALF A MILLION STERLING per annum is being paid in Death claims year by year.
- 2.—THE FUNDS IN HAND amount to upwards of Seven Million pounds Sterling and have increased 50 per cent. in the last 15 years.
- 3.—THE LIVES who die are annually replaced by more than double the number of new carefully selected lives.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents, Hongkong.

GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY IN LONDON.

THE Underwriting having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE and LIFE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co., Hongkong, 1st July, 1889. [166]

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 14th November, 1890. [1567]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary, HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 1882. [216]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

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HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 17th December, 1886. [1250]

Hotels.

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The Bed-rooms are cool, airy and comfortably furnished, and the spacious Dining Room, Sitting Room, and accommodation, generally will be found equal to the best Hotels in the Far East.

The Table D'Hôte is supplied with every luxury in season, and the cuisine is in experienced hands.

Wines, Spirits, Malt Liquors, etc., of the best quality only.

A. F. DO ROZARIO, Manager, Hongkong, 4th November, 1890. [1047]

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Every comfort will be provided for visitors, with excellent cuisine and choice wines.

Hot, Cold, Shower and Sea Water Baths, large and well ventilated Dining, Billiard, and Reading Rooms, and well supplied Bar.

A small daily is attached to the premises.

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THE most beautiful position in the environs of Hongkong situated 1,250 feet above sea level, commanding magnificent views of the City and Harbour of Victoria, the mainland of China and neighbouring islands.

Cool Southerly breezes in Summer with perfect protection from N.E. Winds of Winter.

The best accommodation of Visitors with every comfort, convenience and attention.

The Cuisine is under the best supervision and every luxury obtainable is supplied.

WINE, etc., the best Brands and finest qualities only are kept.

TERMS MODERATE. PEAK HOTEL & TRADING Co., Ltd., Proprietors, Hongkong, 13th February, 1891. [1377]

TOURISTS.

ARE cordially invited to call and inspect our choice collection of Japanese and Chinese FINE ART CURIOS, which is unequalled in Japan.

Every article guaranteed as represented. No trouble to show goods. One price only. DEAKIN BROS. & Co., Ltd., 10 Bond Street, London, W. Yamanaka Photographic Studio. [137]

Consignees.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, LIVERPOOL, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship "OOPACK" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the office of the Undersigned before noon on the 10th instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, the 10th instant, at 4 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 10th inst., will be subject to rent.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m., TUESDAY, the 3rd inst.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 3rd March, 1891. [1377]

To be Let.

TO LET, With Immediate Possession, THE MARINE HOTEL.

SITUATE on the Praya, opposite to the old P. & O. Wharf, comprising—22 Bed-rooms, Dining-room, Billiard-room, Bar, &c. Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd., Hongkong, 16th December, 1890. [150]

TO LET, BLUE BUILDINGS.

Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd., Hongkong, 24th December, 1890. [155]

TO LET, With Immediate Possession, No. 17, PRAYA CENTRAL.

OFFICES—Above Messrs. Douglas, Laprak & Co.'s Premises. Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd., Hongkong, 16th December, 1890. [149]

TO LET, BLUE BUILDINGS.—First Floor of No. 3.

MAGAZINE GAP.—Two Semi-detached Houses. Rent \$45 each. Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd., Hongkong, and March, 1890. [145]

KOWLOON, TO LET, Possession from 1st February.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING Co.'s ESTATE.

HEALTHILY situated 5 ROOMED HOUSES with Bath-rooms complete, splendid view. Moderate Rent. Gas laid on. Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd., Hongkong, 3rd January, 1891. [186]

TO LET, NOS. 9 & 11, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

ROOMS in College Chambers No. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET, OFFICES and CHAMBERS in Connaught House, Queen's Road Central. OFFICES in Victoria Buildings. Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Hongkong, and February, 1891. [15]

TO BE LET, A FIVE ROOMED HOUSE No. 3, "Wild Dell Buildings," Wanchai Road (opposite Bakery).

No. 1 (corner house facing East) and No. 6 (corner house facing West). RICHMOND TERRACE.—The former with Conservatory and Tennis Lawn. Each House contains six good rooms and is pleasantly situated.

HENRY HUMPHREYS.

TO BE LET OR SOLD, On favourable terms, with Immediate Possession.

EIGHT HOUSES at "Mountain View," Peak District, near Plunkett's Gap. If sold, part of the Purchase money can remain on Mortgage. Apply to JOHN A. JUPP, 38 & 40, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 30th December, 1890. [136]

TO LET, HOUSE No. 18, ELGIN STREET.

For particulars, apply to LOUIS KIRCHMANN, No. 10, Ladder Street Terrace, Hongkong, 26th February, 1891. [1348]

TO BE LET, NO. 10, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

Apply to HERCULES J. SCOTT, Hongkong, 3rd February, 1891. [1337]

TO LET, NOS. 25 & 27, ELGIN STREET, behind the Old Union Church.

Apply to ACHIE & Co., Hongkong, 29th February, 1891. [130]

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place from the Batteries at Stone Cutters' Island, on FRIDAY, the 13th instant, from 9 a.m. till 5 p.m.

The line of fire will be in a South-Westerly direction from the Batteries.

All Ships, Tugs and other Vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the range.

By Command, W. M. DEANE, Acting Colonial Secretary, Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 7th March, 1891. [1398]

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP AND MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG, Surgeon-Dentist, (Formerly styled Apprentice, and latterly assistant to Dr. DOUGLAS), HAS REMOVED TO THE MARINE HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD, (next to the Telegraph Companies).

CONSULTATION FREE. Hongkong, 7th March, 1891. [1395]

NOTICE.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SANDAKAN.

IN ITS PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Will and Estate of CHARLES WALTER FLINT, of Sandakan, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other persons having any claims against the Estate of CHARLES WALTER FLINT, deceased, late of Sandakan, Merchant, Probate of whose Will has been granted by the High Court of Sandakan, to H. B. DUNLOP of Sandakan, Executor appointed by the Will of the said deceased, are hereby required to send in particulars of such claims to the said undersigned, on or before the Thirtieth day of October, 1891. And Notice is hereby given that after such date the said Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice.

Dated this First day of November, 1890. P. F. J. MARCUS, Receiver for the said Executor.

High Court, Sandakan. [169]

NOTICE.

GRIFFITH'S PHOTOGRAPHIC ROOMS

1, Ice House Road are suitably lighted to produce all styles of Portraiture in any weather. CABINETS from \$5 a dozen.

CARTES DE VISITE from \$3 a dozen. LIFE SIZED BUSTS in Colour, or Black & White.

IVORY MINIATURES, &c., &c. NEW VIEWS OF HONGKONG and the Coast Ports are always ready. Hongkong, 21th September, 1890. [148]

W. S. MARTEN, ARTISTIC DECORATOR, 2, DUDDELL STREET, HONGKONG.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has secured the services of an experienced PHOTOGRAPHER, and undertakes to produce First Class Photographs and the enlargement of Photos, &c. Cabinets (enamelled).....\$5 a dozen. Cartes de Visite.....2 FUN WOO, PHOTOGRAPHER, 84, Queen's Road Central, (Top Floor of Teen Sing Bookbinder), Hongkong, 17th February, 1891. [198]

NOTICE.

J. E. S. SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED.

J. E. S. WOOD PRESERVER OR ANTISEPTIC PAINT.

THE Undersigned has this day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the sale of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and are prepared to supply quantities to suit purchasers, at Wholesale Prices, Extra Special terms for Shipping and large Orders.

SIR ROBERT RAWLINSON, C.B., C.E., Chief Sanitary Engineer, Local Government Board, London, says "It is the best Disinfectant in use."

W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co., Bank Buildings, Hongkong, 10th March, 1891. [12]

Dr. Knorr's ANTIPYRINE.

(Dose for Adults 18 to 35 grains troy.)

IS the most approved and most efficacious remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER, TYPHUS, ERYSIPELAS, HOOPING COUGH, and many other complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic. Highly recommended by the medical Faculty. To be had from every reputable Chemist and Druggist. Ask for Dr. KNORR'S ANTIPYRINE! Each Tin bears the inventor's signature, "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China Export, Import, and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for China. Beware of spurious imitations! Hongkong, 20th May, 1890. [124]

NOTICE.

THOMAS KERR & CO. ENGINEERS, BOILER-MAKERS AND CONTRACTORS, YAU-MA-TI ENGINEERING WORKS, KOWLOON.

OFFICE—No. 12, D'Almeida Street, Hongkong, 29th August, 1890. [150]

Intimations.

GEO. FENWICK & Co., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, TO-MORROW, the 10th instant, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Manager and Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1890, and declaring a dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 10th inst., inclusive.

GEO. FENWICK, General Manager, Hongkong, 3rd March, 1891. [1376]

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that a GENERAL MEETING of the above named Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, Victoria, Hongkong (Messrs. MILLERS & Co.), at Four p.m., on THURSDAY, the 12th March, 1891, when the Liquidators will lay before the Shareholders an Account showing their acts and dealings and the manner in which the winding up has been conducted since the 31st December, 1890.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 27th instant to the 12th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order, H. HARMS, for the Liquidators. Hongkong, 27th February, 1891. [1359]

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Thirteenth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents, Pedder Street, on SATURDAY, the 21st March, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Report from the General Agents with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1890.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 21st March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, Hongkong, 28th February, 1891. [1361]

CRUICKSHANK & Co., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 15th March next, both days inclusive.

CRUICKSHANK & Co., Ltd., Victoria Dispensary, J. STEPHEN, General Manager, Hongkong, 28th February, 1891. [1360]

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1890.

CONTRIBUTORS in the above Office are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December, 1890, in order that the Distribution of Bonus may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st day of March instant, will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, Canton Insurance Office, Limited, Hongkong, and March, 1891. [1372]

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

LAWN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP.

MEMBERS wishing to enter for the above will please sign their names, either on the List lying on the table in the Club ante-room or on the one in the Cricket Pavilion, on or before SATURDAY, the 14th inst.

ARTHUR K. TRAVERS, Hon. Secretary, H.K.C.C. Hongkong, 5th March, 1891. [1384]

BELLIOS TRUST, No. 2.

THE BELLIOS TRUSTEES will hold an EXAMINATION in December next, in the following Subjects—

FOR GIRLS RECEIVING A CHINESE EDUCATION.

1.—Chinese Composition (a Letter, to be written in the Chinese character).

2.—Translation from Chinese book-style into colloquial, using either Romanized or Chinese characters).

3.—Arithmetic (up to and including vulgar and decimal fractions).

FOR GIRLS RECEIVING AN ENGLISH EDUCATION.

1.—English Composition.

2.—English History (up to the death of Queen Elizabeth).

3.—Physical Geography (Royal Readers, VI.).

FOR BOYS.

1.—English Composition (on a subject connected with Commercial Geography).

2.—Mensuration (up to areas of the surfaces of solids, with special reference to commercial requirements).

3.—Book-keeping (Turner's Commercial Guide and Hunter's Civil Service Examination Questions).

4.—Short-hand (writing, in any form of shorthand, and reproducing in fair copy, a lengthy paragraph dictated by the Examiner with moderate speed).

Conditions of Examination and value of Prizes will be as in former years. Date and place of Examination will be announced early in November.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1891. [1391]

J. & R. HARVEY & Co., DUNDEE, DISTILLERS, GLASGOW. Established 1770.

SCOTCH WHISKIES.

First Pure Malt Scotch Whisky. O.F.M. Old Highland Malt Whisky. T.O.S. The Old Scotch Whisky. V.O.S. Very Old Scotch Whisky.

MESSRS. HARVEY & Co.'s Pure Malt Whiskies have for over fifty years commanded the largest sale in the English Market OF ANY WHISKY made in Scotland, and being thoroughly matured in Sherry Wood are very mild and mellow, and are confidently recommended where a Pure, Wholesome Spirit is desired.

Over one million Gallons produced annually. For Prices and Samples, apply to G. KENNIE STEWART, 12, D'Almeida Street, Hongkong. Sole Agent for China and Japan, Hongkong, 29th August, 1890. [1369]

Intimations.

THE CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

LIST of Subscribers to the HONGKONG TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.

1.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

2.—Alice Memorial Hospital.

3.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

4.—Butterfield and Swire.

5.—Brodie, Wm., Residence.

6.—Bellios & Co.

7.—Bellios, E. R., Kingsclere.

8.—Bellios, E. R., The Eyrle.

9.—Hartigan, Dr. Wm., Queen's Road.

10.—Cattle, Dr. J., Queen's Road.

11.—Cattle, Dr. Alex., Queen's Road.

12.—Cattle, Dr. J., Victoria Peak.

13.—C. & J. Telephone Co., Ltd.

14.—Chater and Vernon.

15.—Central Police Station.

16.—China Mail.

17.—C. Borneo Co., Ltd., S. S. M., Bowington.

18.—Carlows & Co.

19.—Cowie, Dr. Alex.

20.—"Daily Press."

21.—Douglas Laprak & Co.

22.—Dakin Bros. of China, Ltd.

23.—E. E. A. and China Telegraph Co., Ltd.

24.—Erra, N. N. J., Residence.

25.—Erickson & Joseph.

26.—Foster, F. T. P., Residence.

27.—Great Northern Telegraph Co.

28.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

29.—Government House.

30.—Gordon & Co., A. G., Praya Central.

31.—Do, Bowington.

32.—Government Civil Hospital.

33.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.

34.—H. & W. Dock, Aberdeen.

35.—Holliday, Wise & Co.

36.—Holliday, J. F., Victoria Peak.

37.—The Hongkong Hotel, Public Telephone.

38.—Hancock, W. St. John H., C.E.

39.—Hughes & Ema.

40.—Holmes & Roddy.

41.—Hughes, E. J., Residence.

42.—Hirt, Chas., do.

43.—Ho Tung, Praya Central.

44.—Do, Seymour Terrace.

45.—Do, Bonham Strand.

46.—H. & K. W. & Godown Co., Ltd.

47.—Jordan, Dr. G. P., Pedder's Street.

48.—Jordan, Dr. G. P., Residence.

49.—The Imports and Exports Office.

50.—Judd, Wm., Peak.

51.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

52.—Do, Sugar Refinery.

53.—Land Investment Co., Ltd.

54.—Lindsay & Davis.

55.—Macintosh, E., Residence.

56.—Millet, Marti J. Mitjans.

57.—P. O. S. N. Co.

58.—Peak Hotel.

59.—Peak Hotel & Trading Co., Craigleburn.